



**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**  
January 4, 2016

Summary of Legislation Impacting Higher Education		
HB1383	English	<p><u>A+ Schools Program requirements</u>: Expands the A+ Schools Program to graduates of any Missouri high school who meet the program requirements.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1401	Conway	<p><u>Control of traffic on college campuses</u>: Allows community college police officers to establish regulations to control vehicular traffic on any thoroughfare owned or maintained by the college.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1438	Mims	<p><u>Favoritism in higher education</u>: Requires public institutions of higher education to adopt policies on student favoritism by September of 2017. The policy must establish a procedure for addressing allegations of favoritism toward any student and an institution must uniformly and consistently apply the policy, make it easily accessible, and train campus leaders about its contents.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1527	Walker	<p><u>Survivor benefits</u>: Adds emergency medical technicians and certain staff of the state fire marshal's office to the list of individuals eligible for the Public Service Officer or Employee's Child Survivor Grant program and changes the disbursement of any unpaid workers compensation into his or her estate.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1543	Brown	<p><u>A+ tuition reimbursement</u>: Specifies that students shall not receive A+ tuition reimbursement for remedial college courses.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1571	Lynch	<p><u>MO National Guard Educational Assistance Grant</u>: Allows members of the reserves of any branch of the United States armed forces to be eligible for a Missouri National Guard educational assistance grant</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1610	Swan	<p><u>Postsecondary course options</u>: Changes the laws regarding postsecondary course options (dual enrollment) by broadening the definition of schools allowed to cooperate with public high schools to offer those options to include the State Technical College of Missouri.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-2-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1613	Swan	<p><u>Identifying students at risk</u>: Requires school districts to develop a system for identifying students who are at risk of not being ready for college-level work or entry-level career positions.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-2-15)    Committee:</p>

HB1621	Haahr	<p><u>MO Civics Education Initiative</u>: Creates the "Missouri Civics Education Initiative" which requires every high school student attending any public, charter or private school to complete and pass a basic civics test similar to the civics portion of the United States Naturalization test in order to receive a high school diploma, certificate of high school graduation or a high school equivalency certificate. In addition, students who earn a passing grade in a course of instruction on the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Missouri and who transfer to another college or university are not required to earn a passing grade in another such course as a condition of graduation.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-3-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1637	Dohrman	<p><u>Course in freedom of speech</u>: Requires graduates of two-year and four-year institutions of higher education located in Missouri to have successfully completed a three credit hour course in the freedom of speech.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-3-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1640	Hicks	<p><u>Modifies the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Fund</u>: Authorizes a tax liability transfer for an employer that hires a student majoring in the field of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics for an internship. Up to \$5,000 of the employer's state tax liability may be annually removed from the general fund and placed in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Fund. The bill also allows an employer with facilities in Missouri that provides educational benefits to a qualified individual or trains a qualified individual for an employment position in the health care, engineering, or information technology field to apply to have up to \$5,000 of the employer's state tax liability removed from the general fund and placed in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Fund for up to one year. The Department of Higher Education must establish a procedure for approving applications.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-4-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1646	Swan	<p><u>MO Civics Education Initiative</u>: Creates the "Missouri Civics Education Initiative" which requires every high school student attending any public, charter or private school to complete and pass a basic civics test similar to the civics portion of the United States Naturalization test in order to receive a high school diploma, certificate of high school graduation or a high school equivalency certificate. In addition, students who earn a passing grade in a course of instruction on the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Missouri and who transfer to another college or university are not required to earn a passing grade in another such course as a condition of graduation.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-4-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1658	Frederick	<p><u>Establishes the Show-Me Compassionate Medical Education Act</u>: Designates August 28, 2016, and thereafter the date designated by the show-me compassionate medical research project committee, as "Show-Me Compassionate Medical Education Day" in Missouri. In addition, no medical school in the state shall prohibit, discourage, or otherwise restrict a medical student organization or medical organization from conducting a study on the prevalence of depression, suicide, or other mental health issues among medical students. Medical schools may also collaborate with the show-me compassionate medical education research project committee to conduct a single center or multicenter study or studies in order to facilitate the collection of data and implement practices and protocols to minimize stress and reduce the risk of depression and suicide for medical students.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-7-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1678	Solon	<p><u>Student safety at higher ed institutions</u>: Requires public institutions of higher education to implement memorandums of understanding with law enforcement with respect to sexual assaults on campus.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-9-15)    Committee:</p>
HB1681	Haahr	<p><u>Regulation of proprietary schools</u>: Exempts yoga training courses, programs, or schools from provisions of law regulating proprietary schools.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-9-15)    Committee:</p>

HB1716	Lichtenegger	<u>Virtual institutions</u> : Allows students enrolled in approved virtual institutions to participate in the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-10-15)    Committee:
HB1735	Davis	<u>Password Privacy Protection Act</u> : Prohibits an employer or educational institution from requiring or requesting certain persons to disclose their user name and password for a personal social media account. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-10-15)    Committee:
HB1751	Roden	<u>Public safety-emergency services</u> : Contains various provisions relating to public safety and emergency services, including adding emergency medical technicians and certain staff of the state fire marshal's office to the list of individuals eligible for the Public Service Officer or Employee's Child Survivor Grant program. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-11-15)    Committee:
HB1839	Gardner	<u>Health care professionals to complete cultural competency training</u> : Requires all health care professionals to complete cultural competency training in school and as continuing education for licensure, certification, or registration. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-14-15)    Committee:
HB1850	Franklin	<u>Health care workforce analysis</u> : Allows various state boards to collaborate with the Department of Health and Senior Services or other entities to collect and analyze workforce data to assess the availability of qualified health care providers. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-15-15)    Committee:
HB1899	Taylor	<u>Removes concealed carry ban on DHE institutions</u> : Removes the current ban on carrying concealed firearms in higher education institutions. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-18-15)    Committee:
HB1910	Kelley	<u>Concealed carry in DHE institutions</u> : Removes the current ban on carrying concealed firearms in higher education institutions, but allows institutions to ban concealed firearms under certain conditions. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-21-15)    Committee:
SB583	Munzlinger	<u>Instructional waiver review board for UM System</u> : Creates an instructional waiver review board for the University of Missouri System to evaluate all instructional waivers requested by faculty members. The number of instructional waivers granted for each campus cannot exceed thirty percent of the regular faculty employed, and waiver preference is given to faculty whose research is not funded through state appropriations. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:
SB589	Dixon	<u>Removes ban on concealed carry in DHE facilities</u> : Removes the current ban on carrying concealed firearms in higher education institutions. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:
SB626	Nasheed	<u>Affirmative consent to sexual activity</u> : Requires higher education institutions to inform students and employees about affirmative consent to sexual activity. <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:
SB627	Nasheed	<u>Suicide awareness/prevention in school</u> : Requires each public institution of higher education to develop and implement a policy to advise students and staff on available suicide prevention programs <a href="#">Bill History</a> Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:

SB638	Riddle	<p><u>MO Civics Education Initiative</u>: Creates the "Missouri Civics Education Initiative" which requires every high school student attending any public, charter or private school to complete and pass a basic civics test similar to the civics portion of the United States Naturalization test in order to receive a high school diploma, certificate of high school graduation or a high school equivalency certificate. In addition, students who earn a passing grade in a course of instruction on the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Missouri and who transfer to another college or university are not required to earn a passing grade in another such course as a condition of graduation.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
SB649	Pearce	<p><u>Higher Ed Academic Scholarship Program</u>: Modifies the Higher Education Academic Scholarship Program by expanding eligibility requirements and by adding the option of receiving forgivable loans.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
SB650	Pearce	<p><u>A+ schools program</u>: Modifies the A+ Schools Program by removing the requirement that the student's attendance of public high school occur in the three years immediately prior to graduation.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
SB712	Chappelle-Nadal	<p><u>Access MO Financial Assistance program</u>: Modifies the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program by adding eligibility requirements, including development of a personal plan of study beginning in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade and 50 hours of tutoring or mentoring. In addition, students meeting all eligibility requirements may receive awards to cover costs for dual enrollment coursework.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
SB731	Munzlinger	<p><u>Removes concealed carry ban in DHE institutions</u>: Removes the current ban on carrying concealed firearms in higher education institutions, but allows institutions to ban concealed firearms under certain conditions.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-1-15)    Committee:</p>
SB766	Schmitt	<p><u>Auditor to audit UM System</u>: Requires the State Auditor to audit the University of Missouri System at least once annually.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-2-15)    Committee:</p>
SB767	Schmitt	<p><u>Post certain course information online</u>: Requires public colleges and universities to post information for each course – including course syllabus, reading list, attendance requirements, extra credit opportunities, and a description of required assignments – on their Internet websites.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-2-15)    Committee:</p>
SB777	Munzlinger	<p><u>Virtual institutions</u>: Allows students enrolled in approved virtual institutions to participate in the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-3-15)    Committee:</p>
SB835	Wasson	<p><u>Nursing education incentive program</u>: Transfers the authority over the Nursing Education incentive Program from the Department of Higher Education to the State Board of Nursing.</p> <p><a href="#">Bill History</a>    Bill Status: Prefiled (12-22-15)    Committee:</p>